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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Public Servants - Social Welfare Department - Surprise check conducted by the Anti-Corruption Bureau on Government Social Welfare Boys Hostel, Pokuru, Valivetivaripalem (M), Prakasam District on 04.09.2018 - Certain irregularities noticed - Departmental Proceedings initiated against Sri Pratapaneni Venkateswarlu, HWO (Grade-II) (Now Retired) - Inquiry conducted - Report received - Penalty of two percent (02%) cut in pension for a period of one (1) year - Imposed - Orders - Issued.

SOCIAL WELFARE (VIGILANCE) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No.85 Dated:16.03.2024

Read the following:

1. From the DG, ACB, Vijayawada Lr.No.C.No.80/DES-NPK/2018, Dt.31.10.2019 & 06.07.2020
2. Procgs. Rc. No. SWD-HWEODSP(ACB)/1/2018, Dt.28.08.2020 of the Collector & Dist. Magistrate, Prakasam District, Ongole.
3. Written Statement of Defense of Sri P.Venkateswarlu, HWO(Gr.II), Dt.07.09.2020.
4. Procgs. Rc. No. A3/11024/2014-1, Dt.12.10.2020 of the Director of Social Welfare.
5. Procgs. No. A3/11024/19/2020, Dt.08.03.2021 of the Director of Social Welfare.
6. Inquiry Report of DD(SW),Kurnool/Inquiry Authority vide lr. Dt.07.10.2021 received through the DSW e-file.
7. Govt. Memo. No. SW0DSWE(VIGM)/10/2020, Dt.27.02.2023.
8. Further representation of the CO Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, HWO (Gr.II), (Retired) through the DSW e-File (Computer No.623593)
9. Govt. Memo. No. SW0DSWE (VIGM)/10/2020, Dt.09.10.2023.
10. Explanation of the CO Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, HWO (Gr.II), (Retired) through the DSW e-File (Computer No.623593)

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ORDER:

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that the Anti-Corruption Bureau officials have conducted surprise check on Government Social Welfare Boys Hostel, Pokuru, Valivetivaripalem (M), Prakasam District on 04.09.2018 and noticed certain irregularities in maintenance of Hostel. In the letter 1st read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau has submitted surprise check report, duly recommending to initiate departmental action against Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, Hostel Welfare Officer (Gr.II), Government Social Welfare Boys Hostel, Pokuru, Valivetivaripalem (M), Prakasam District (Now Retd.,) for the irregularities noticed.

2. Based on the said recommendations by the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, the Collector & District Magistrate, Prakasam District has initiated departmental action by framing Articles of Charge against Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, Hostel Welfare Officer (Gr.II), (Now Retd.,) in the proceedings 2nd read above. Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, Hostel Welfare Officer (Charged Officer) has submitted explanation denying the charges framed against him in his Written Statement of Defense 3rd read above.

3. The Director of Social Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada, in the proceedings 4th read above, appointed Smt.M.Rama Devi, Deputy Director (SW), Kurnool as Enquiry Officer to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against the Charged Officer and Smt. N.S.Sai Aparna, Inspector of Police, Anti- Corruption Bureau, Ongole, Prakasam District as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiring Authority in the proceedings 5th read above.

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4. The Inquiring Authority has submitted inquiry report in the letter 6th read above through the Director of Social Welfare, wherein out of the six (6) charges framed against Charged Officer, only one(1) charge (Charge No.4) is proved and remaining five (5) charges are held not proved.

5. A copy of the inquiry report has been communicated to Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, Hostel Welfare Officer (Gr.II), (Retired) for his further representation on the findings of the Inquiring Authority in Govt. Memo 7th read above and the Charged Officer has submitted explanation in his further representation 8th read above.

6. The Government, after examining the inquiry report and material records of the case, have provisionally decided to impose the penalty of two percent (02%) cut in pension for a period of one (1) year against Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, Hostel Welfare Officer (Gr.II), (Retired) and Show Cause Notice was issued through Director of Social Welfare in the Govt. Memo 9th read above, to the Charged Officer for his explanation on the proposed penalty. The Charged Officer has submitted explanation through the Director of Social Welfare requesting to drop the charges against him In the reference 10th read above,

7. The Government, after careful examination of the explanation submitted by the Charged Officer, have decided to confirm the penalty proposed in the Show Cause Notice. Accordingly, Government hereby impose the penalty of two percent (2%) cut in pension for a period of one (1) year against Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu, Hostel Welfare Officer (Gr.II), (Retd.,).

8. The Director of Social Welfare, Andhra Pradesh, Tadepalli shall take further action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

K.HARSHAVARDHAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Pratapaneni Venktateswarlu,
the then Hostel Welfare Officer(Gr.II),
Pokuru, Valivetivaripalem (M),
Prakasam District (Now Retd.,)
(through the DSW, Tadepalli, Guntur District)
The Director of Social Welfare,
Tadepalli, Guntur District.
The District Collector,
Krishna District, Prakasam.

Copy to:
The Director General,
Anti-Corruption Bureau, 2nd Floor,
Bus Bhavan, Pandit Nehru Bust Station,
Andhra Pradesh, Vijayawada.
The Secretary to Vigilance Commissioner,
APVC, Velagapudi.
The Deputy Director (SW),
Krishna District, Prakasam.
The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Vijayawada.
The Director of Treasuries & Accounts,
A.P., Mangalagiri, Guntur District.
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SECTION OFFICER